

Bayard Timber Frame House  
CE-1040  
Near St. Augustine  
Private

C. 1830-1840

This farm borders (CE-1041, Clayton-Ellison-Plumb) the previous farm and also has a history of out of County ownership. Richard H. Bayard of Philadelphia owned the house and farm in the late 1860's when he devised the farm to his grandson Christian Bayard Bors by will in April of 1868 (will book 11/361). The house is one of a few heavy timber frame structures from the second quarter of the 19th century with exposed corner posts.

Its occurrence is not extremely unusual or unexpected since ~~the~~ <sup>the technique</sup> ~~tradition has English precedence.~~ <sup>has had long use in this primarily English by this time,</sup> The practice at least in Cecil County was being fully replaced by unexposed framing members and later balloon framing.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CE-1040

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

FILE 273

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Bayard Timber Frame House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Cayots Corner Road  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile east of St. Augustine

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

~~Mass~~ Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Joseph H. Steele

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

501 Brentwood Drive

Carcroft

CITY, TOWN

~~Wilmington~~☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Delaware 19803

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Register of Wills

Liber #: Z 33

Folio #: 101

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bayard ~~timber~~ frame house c. 1830-1840 is a 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> story four bay by one room center hall house that faces east with the main gable on a north/south axis.

The entire house rests on a full fieldstone foundation and is totally sheathed with asbestos shingles over weatherboard siding. The steeply pitched composition tile roof has a plain boxed cornice at its base. Timber frame construction is especially evident in the southwest and northeast corner where the corner posts have not been covered. There is a heavy bead on each post.

The east (main) facade is primarily plain with 6/6 sash windows with beaded corner surrounds. The entrance occupies the second bay from the north of the main <sup>block</sup> house. It has been replaced with a modern door. A shed porch with chamfered posts covers the first floor. Shutter lintels do remain on the window surrounds without their shutters.

The south end is basically plain except for a new 6/6 sash on the first floor and two four pane attic lights that flank the brick chimney. The eaves are not extended but closed with a plain bargeboard.

The west side is basically the same as the front with four 6/6 sash on the first floor and three on the second. A 6/6 gabled dormer lights the attic.

The north end of the main block, besides having its own end stack and attic lights, has a 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> story shed kitchen addition. The exterior detailing remains in line with the rest of the house. The first floor interior of the kitchen has been remodeled but the second floor has survived untouched. Access is gained by a winder stair in the southwest corner of the kitchen and leads to two rooms on the second floor which are separated by a raised six panel door with later 19th century stamped iron door latch and handle.

The south parlor <sup>of the main block</sup> has its second quarter of the 19th century mantle with thumb and astragal moldings around the opening. A plain frieze supports <sup>a</sup> molded shelf. West of the fireplace is a six panel closet door and six panel door to second floor stair. A simply molded chair rail extends around most of the room along with a heavily beaded baseboard.

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It appears as if one middle wall has been removed to make the first floor a hall/parlor arrangement. The present hall has a very plain mid 19th century mantel with an adjacent winder stair to the second floor. Detailing remains basically the same on the second floor and the attic is finished.

The basement has flat arch chimney supports and pit sawn floor joists.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Bayard Timber frame house is rather unusual since it is such a late use of a heavy timber frame with exposed corner posts. By this time most frame houses have completely covered structural frames. Brief research has taken this property back to the Bayard Family ownership. It is ownly through surviving woodwork that a possible construction date of 1830-1840 could be given.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

9/24/80

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

BAYARD - 1877 -

JOSEPH STEELE -  
231.52 ACRES  
W/R # 33/101

NILL  
# 33/101

HELEN CLAYTON STEELE

TO

APRIL 23, 1947

JOSEPH STEELE

HELEN C. STEELE

FROM FRANK S. CLAYTON MTG. CK 9/509

FROM ALBERT CONSTABLE &amp; WIFE MTG. CK 9/495

✓ FROM J. GROOME STEELE TRUSTEE DEED CK 10/190

CK 10/190

J. GROOME STEELE, TRUSTEE

4/12/1995

TO

HELEN C. STEELE 19,300

7/258  
CK 6/98

EQUITY DOCKET 3181

NOV. 16, 1914

HELEN C. STEELE, PLAINTIFFS

JULIUS W. CLAYTON, DEFENDANTS

①

SEE J. GROOME STEELE, TRUSTEE TO SELL LANDS

ADJOINING LANDS OF CHAS. S. ELLISON

333 ACRES AND IS THE SAME TRACT

OF LAND WHICH WAS CONVEYED TO

LAVINIA E. CLAYTON BY ALLEN H. BAYARD

ON DEC. 12, 1892 RECORDED LTG 2/255

J. GROOME STEELE TRUSTEE FOR ESTATE

OF LAVINIA E. CLAYTON WIFE OF JOSHUA CLAYTON

LTG 2/255

ALLEN H. BAYARD

DEC. 12, 1892

TO

LAVINIA E. CLAYTON

CE-1040

DEC. 12, 1892

JTG 2/255

ELLEN H. BAYARD

TO LAVINIA E. CLAYTON

\$17,649 (333 ACRES)

BEING THE SAME LAND WHICH FORMERLY BELONGED  
TO THE HONORABLE R. H. BAYARD, DECEASED AND  
WHICH WAS DEVISED BY HIM TO HIS GRANDSON  
CHRISTIAN BAYARD BURS BY DEED DATE 6/29/1881  
RECORDED JAD 15/313 AND CONVEYED TO ELLEN  
H. BAYARD BY CHRISTIAN BAYARD BURS.

JAD 15/313

CHRISTIAN BAYARD BURS

6/29/1888

TO

ELLEN H. BAYARD

333 ACRES

RICHARD H.

3/1/1868

HONORABLE MR. BAYARD, PHILA.

TO

CHRISTIAN BAYARD BURS, GRANDSON

(MORTGAGE TO JANE A. LANE FOR \$6000.00

WILL

" I GIVE AND DEVISE THE FARM AT THE  
MANOR CHURCH NOW IN THE POSSESSION OF  
NICHOLAS WATTS UNTO MY GRANDSON,  
CHRISTIAN BAYARD BURS.

RICHARD H. BAYARD

FROM ~~ELLEN H. BAYARD~~

H. HEPPER

DATE 2/348

FROM ~~ELLEN H. BAYARD~~ BEASTON & OTHERS DEED GAC 3/328

FROM RICHARD LYON

DEED JS 11/166

FROM ANN BAYARD

DEED JS 12/182

FROM ANN BAYARD

DEED JS 17/192

FROM MARY GILLESPIE

JS 37/307



UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS

5863 III SE  
(ELKTON)

ELKTON, MD  
THE BARRENS, CIVIL ENGINEERING

47°30"

433

429

85X

BM 70

CE-1040

St Augustine

ROAD

Cem

x 84

69

UGUSTINE

80

Landing Strip

70

40

70

71

DELAWARE  
MARYLAND

75

70

NEW CASTLE CO  
CECIL CO

Great

76

CREEK

BOHEMIA

Tidal Flat

60

Bohemia Mills

69

Sandy

69

NECK

71

ROAD

69

CECILTON QUARTERS

NECK

68



BAYARD TIMBER FRAME HOUSE

GE-1090

SOUTH PARLOR MANTEL PETTIC

NE ST. AUGUSTINE, MD.

8/79 PBT CECIL . WCL, MHT



BAYARD TIMBER FRAME HOUSE

CE - 1040

SOUTH PARLOR FIREPLACE AND WINDER STAIR

NE ST. AUGUSTINE, MD.

8/79 PBT CELIL NEH, MHT